

## **Status Update of City Operations**

Our unadvertised reopening of City Hall and the Library have both continued to go very well- thank you to all the ideas we've received from staff to improve processes at both locations and offer the safest possible experience for our customers and our employees. Despite the success, we will be holding off on any further promotion of an "official" reopening in the press, and instead continue to encourage customers to engage with us online and over the phone as much as possible, while also continuing in-person services when needed.

We will be reopening the Las Palmas Pool on Monday, July 13, which is operated by our partner Exos, but with modified operations to comply with state and county directives. Lap Swim, Group Exercise and Swim Lessons will be offered but a reservation will be required to participate in any programming at the pool. You can visit the [City's website](#) for more information or [register online](#).

## **Finance Department Office Move Complete**

Congratulations to our Finance Department staff that were finally able to move back into their newly remodeled office space after being displaced to various working locations for the last six months. The return comes just in time for the new Fiscal Year which started July 1. Thank you to the Facilities, Engineering and Fire Inspection teams for getting the project completed and thank you to the Finance Department for continuing to work as a unified team despite being located in different places during construction.

## **COVID-19 Testing**

Last week, Human Resources sent out some helpful information regarding COVID testing locations and personal health. Just a reminder, we now have 5 testing locations in National City, including the Kimball Senior Center. Testing at the Senior Center is free, you don't have to income qualify, and you don't have to be exhibiting symptoms to get tested. Appointments can be scheduled online at <https://211sandiego.org/> for all locations in the County, or by phone 888-634-1123.

## **The Courtyards at Kimball**

In case you've been wondering what's under construction just across the street from City Hall, it will be a 131-unit 100% affordable multi-unit residential project called the "Courtyards at Kimball." The building will be five stories over basement parking. This project is an example of some of the projects and investments we are working to attract, bringing with it the benefits of a more activated, walkable community downtown and providing additional customers for our local businesses.



THE COURTYARDS AT KIMBALL

### **Together We Can! - Building Division**

A huge thank you to our Building Division members, Charles Roe, Rebeca Lattire, and Luis Sainz. Throughout the shut down, their staff continued to diligently serve customers via phone, online, and now once again in person. The Building team has worked tirelessly to guide the public through our new online processes, answering questions from residents, contractors and developers, and conducting plan reviews. We could not get projects like the Courtyards at Kimball built without the dedication and attention to detail of our Building staff and our program partners at EsGil and Bureau Veritas!



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